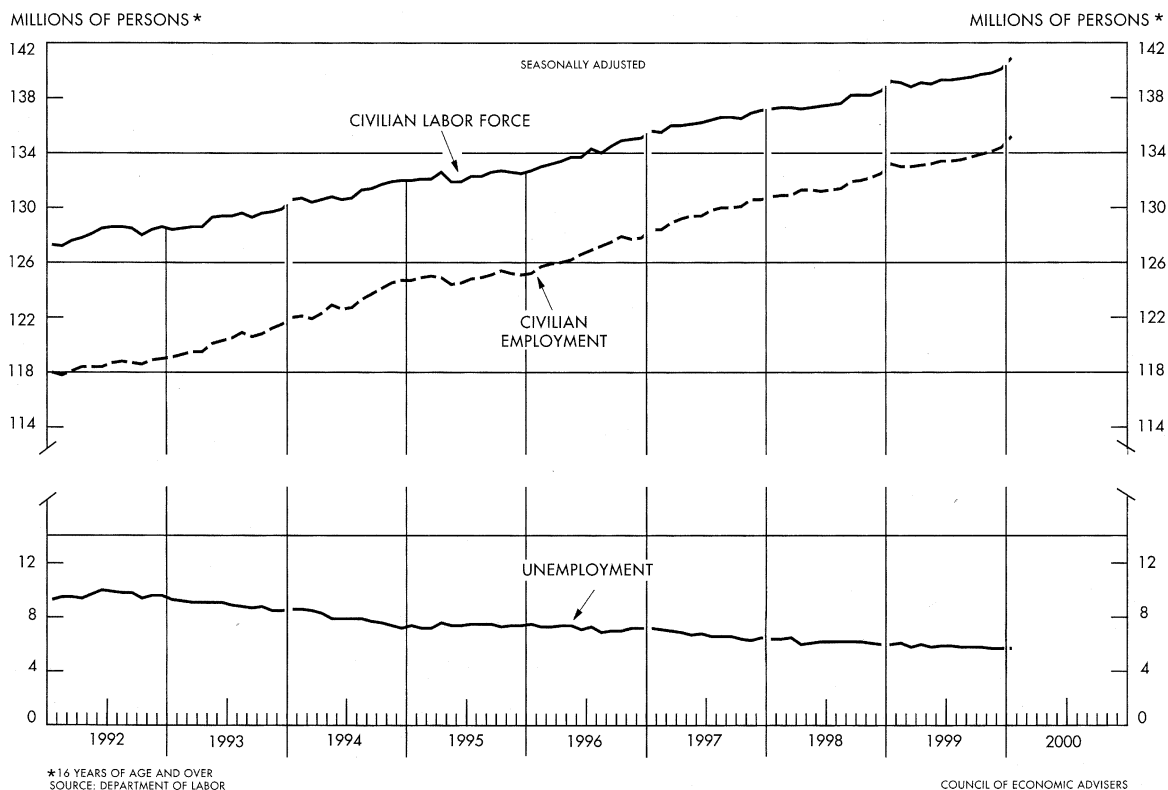


EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT, AND WAGES

STATUS OF THE LABOR FORCE

In January, after adjusting for revised population controls, employment rose by 918,000, and unemployment rose by 7,000. (Series revised.)



[Thousands of persons 16 years of age and over, except as noted; monthly data seasonally adjusted except as noted by NSA]

| Period | Civilian noninstitutional population NSA | Civilian labor force | Civilian employment | | | | Unemployment | | | Not in labor force | Percent ² | | |
|------------------------|--|----------------------|---------------------|--------------|-----------------|---|--------------|-------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| | | | Total | Agricultural | Nonagricultural | | Total | 15 weeks and over | Labor force participation rate | | Employment/ population ratio | Unemployment rate | |
| | | | | | Total | Part time for economic reasons ¹ | | | | | | | |
| 1990 ³ | 189,164 | 125,840 | 118,793 | 3,223 | 115,570 | 4,950 | 7,047 | 1,525 | 63,324 | 66.5 | 62.8 | 5.6 | |
| 1991 | 190,925 | 126,346 | 117,718 | 3,269 | 114,449 | 5,874 | 8,628 | 2,357 | 64,578 | 66.2 | 61.7 | 6.8 | |
| 1992 | 192,805 | 128,105 | 118,492 | 3,247 | 115,245 | 6,240 | 9,613 | 3,408 | 64,700 | 66.4 | 61.5 | 7.5 | |
| 1993 | 194,838 | 129,200 | 120,259 | 3,115 | 117,144 | 6,230 | 8,940 | 3,094 | 65,638 | 66.3 | 61.7 | 6.9 | |
| 1994 ⁴ | 196,814 | 131,056 | 123,060 | 3,409 | 119,651 | 4,414 | 7,996 | 2,860 | 65,758 | 66.6 | 62.5 | 6.1 | |
| 1995 | 198,584 | 132,304 | 124,900 | 3,440 | 121,460 | 4,279 | 7,404 | 2,363 | 66,280 | 66.6 | 62.9 | 5.6 | |
| 1996 | 200,591 | 133,943 | 126,708 | 3,443 | 123,264 | 4,123 | 7,236 | 2,316 | 66,647 | 66.8 | 63.2 | 5.4 | |
| 1997 ³ | 203,133 | 136,297 | 129,558 | 3,399 | 126,159 | 3,879 | 6,739 | 2,062 | 66,837 | 67.1 | 63.8 | 4.9 | |
| 1998 ³ | 205,220 | 137,673 | 131,463 | 3,378 | 128,025 | 3,501 | 6,210 | 1,637 | 67,547 | 67.1 | 64.1 | 4.5 | |
| 1999 ³ | 207,753 | 139,368 | 133,488 | 3,281 | 130,207 | 3,189 | 5,880 | 1,480 | 68,385 | 67.1 | 64.3 | 4.2 | |
| 1999: Jan ³ | 206,719 | 139,232 | 133,225 | 3,297 | 129,928 | 3,341 | 6,007 | 1,491 | 67,487 | 67.4 | 64.4 | 4.3 | |
| Feb ^r | 206,873 | 139,137 | 133,029 | 3,328 | 129,701 | 3,282 | 6,108 | 1,539 | 67,736 | 67.3 | 64.3 | 4.4 | |
| Mar ^r | 207,036 | 138,804 | 132,976 | 3,290 | 129,686 | 3,325 | 5,828 | 1,467 | 68,232 | 67.0 | 64.2 | 4.2 | |
| Apr ^r | 207,236 | 139,086 | 133,054 | 3,341 | 129,713 | 3,225 | 6,032 | 1,474 | 68,150 | 67.1 | 64.2 | 4.3 | |
| May ^r | 207,427 | 139,013 | 133,190 | 3,290 | 129,900 | 3,229 | 5,823 | 1,519 | 68,414 | 67.0 | 64.2 | 4.2 | |
| June ^r | 207,632 | 139,332 | 133,398 | 3,330 | 130,068 | 3,209 | 5,934 | 1,634 | 68,300 | 67.1 | 64.2 | 4.3 | |
| July ^r | 207,828 | 139,336 | 133,399 | 3,278 | 130,121 | 3,142 | 5,937 | 1,511 | 68,492 | 67.0 | 64.2 | 4.3 | |
| Aug ^r | 208,038 | 139,372 | 133,530 | 3,234 | 130,296 | 3,127 | 5,842 | 1,463 | 68,666 | 67.0 | 64.2 | 4.2 | |
| Sept ^r | 208,265 | 139,475 | 133,650 | 3,179 | 130,471 | 3,112 | 5,825 | 1,412 | 68,790 | 67.0 | 64.2 | 4.2 | |
| Oct ^r | 208,483 | 139,697 | 133,940 | 3,238 | 130,702 | 2,983 | 5,757 | 1,434 | 68,786 | 67.0 | 64.2 | 4.1 | |
| Nov ^r | 208,666 | 139,834 | 134,098 | 3,310 | 130,788 | 3,105 | 5,736 | 1,401 | 68,832 | 67.0 | 64.3 | 4.1 | |
| Dec | 208,832 | 140,108 | 134,420 | 3,279 | 131,141 | 3,157 | 5,688 | 1,388 | 68,724 | 67.1 | 64.4 | 4.1 | |
| 2000: Jan ³ | 208,782 | 140,910 | 135,221 | 3,371 | 131,850 | 3,066 | 5,689 | 1,372 | 67,872 | 67.5 | 64.8 | 4.0 | |

¹ Persons at work. Economic reasons include slack work, material shortages, inability to find fulltime work, etc.

² Civilian labor force (or employment) as percent of civilian noninstitutional population; and unemployment as percent of civilian labor force.

³ Not strictly comparable with earlier data.

⁴ Data beginning January 1994 are not directly comparable with data for earlier periods because of a major redesign of the household survey questionnaire.

NOTE.—Seasonally adjusted data revised beginning 1995 to reflect annual revisions released in early January 2000. Data beginning January 1998, 1999, and 2000 reflect revised population controls. For details, see February issues, *Employment and Earnings*.

Source: Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.